

REMARKS

This Supplemental Amendment is submitted in response to the telephone interview conducted with the Examiner on March 05, 2004. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courteous and productive interview on this date. During the interview, it was agreed that claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9, 12-21, 32 and 33 would be in condition for allowance if previously withdrawn claims 8, 10, 11, 22-31, and 34-39 are canceled by a supplemental amendment. Claims 8, 10, 11, 22-31, and 34-39 have been canceled by the present amendment. Accordingly, claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9, 12-21, 32 and 33 should be in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, applicant respectfully requests the examination of this application, and allowance of the pending claims. Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at (202) 739-5203 if there are any outstanding issues that can be resolved via a telephone conference.

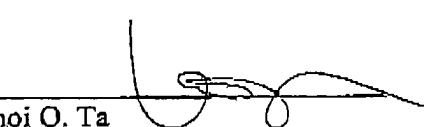
EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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